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BROWNLEE ON DOMINION-PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE

Pacific War End Will Strain Farm Production

TASKS OF GREAT MAGNITUDE FACE GROUP AT OTTAWA

Japan's Surrender Indicates That
Reconstruction Problems No
Longer Deferable

ISSUES OUTLINED

From National Standpoint Failure
of Conference Might Be
Disastrous

By Hon. J. E. BROWNLEE, K.C.,
LL.D.



IT was by no means an unhappy coincidence that the Dominion - Provincial Conference, or the Conference on Reconstruction, as some choose to call it, was in session at Ottawa when the news flashed around the world that Japan had offered to surrender. Even before that offer was translated into reality, the news must have made it clear to those in Conference that post-war reconstruction with all its implications was no longer a subject for tomorrow's debate. It was definitely the task of today.

Task Is Great One

The average man on the street has a vague realization that the task is a great one. The men at Ottawa were under no delusion. With 800,000 men and women in the Armed Services, those remaining in civil life have still produced more natural products, goods and materials than ever before in our history. This has been made possible in large measure by increased and improved mechanization. Now these men and women are coming home and jobs, real jobs, must be available to them.

Another 700,000 have been in war industries producing materials quickly consumed and destroyed by war. The demand has been incessant. Now they will seek employment in industries producing materials of a more enduring nature for peacetime consumption.

To a large extent foreign markets will only be available for farm products on some basis of mutual aid or lend-lease. National income and particularly farm income can hardly be expected to continue at war time levels. At the same time, our people have been promised and expect wider measures of social reform.

True, we can still look around us and take some comfort in the fact that our lot is a comparatively happy one, but still it requires no unusual level of intelligence to understand that, if we are to live in peace and harmony

Cracked Japan's Manchurian Army



Reinforced by veterans of the victorious war in Europe, the Russian Siberian army last and this week launched the pincer drive in Manchuria that quickly drove back what was reputedly the most powerful army Japan has had in the field this summer. In the picture are seen members of the first-class Siberian force. The faces of the men indicate that they are members of various races of the Soviet republic.

during the next decade, a high degree of statesmanship and the utmost co-operation between Governments are necessary. We believe the men now taking part in the Conference fully realize that fact and therein lies the hope for success.

Two very formidable obstacles lie in the way of success. There is nothing new about either of them. In the efforts to avoid them the accomplishments of previous conferences between the Dominion and the Provinces have been limited, and they brought about the inglorious end of the conference, of 1941, although that conference had before it one of the ablest and most comprehensive Royal Commission Reports ever published in Canada—the report of the Rowell-Sirois Commission.

First Obstacle—Provincial Rights Issue

The first obstacle is found in the old familiar issue of Provincial rights, which has appeared in varying forms so frequently since Confederation. That issue springs readily and easily from our constitution. Under that constitution, sovereign authority is divided between the Dominion on the one hand and the Provinces on the other.

The Dominion has full and complete authority over such matters as Inter-provincial Railways, Banking and Currency, Immigration and Export-Trade, to mention only a few subjects. The Provinces cannot legislate or deal with those matters.

On the other hand, the Provinces have complete authority over such matters as Education, Municipal Or-

Warns of Danger of Land Boom Prices

Farm land prices in the U.S. are up 57 per cent from the 1935-39 average, declared I. W. Duggan, governor of the Farm Credit Administration, warning against the dangers of a land boom and possible later collapse in prices. Most purchasers of land in the past year, he said, were farmers, and "when farmers begin buying and selling to one another, pressure of inflation increases."

Gifts and donations sent by Canadians to relatives and friends in other countries during 1944 had a declared value of \$33,743,000, or an average of about \$3 per head of the population. Gifts to members of the armed services and to civilians in the United Kingdom amounted to \$13,943,000.

organization and Civil Rights. Except for its power of disallowance or veto, now rarely used, the Dominion cannot interfere in those matters. The Provinces are also charged with responsibility for Roads and Bridges, as well as Hospitalization and Public Health. To finance these services, however, the Province is restricted to forms of direct taxation, such as taxation on land, income tax, corporation taxes, succession duties and license fees of various kinds. The Dominion on the other hand has not only the right of

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DEMANDS ON OUR PRODUCTION WILL BE MUCH GREATER

But Serious Feed Situation East
and West Makes Problem
Difficult

POSITION REVIEWED

Agricultural Supplies Board Will
Take Action—Egg, Poultry
Demand Increases

By M. McDougall
(Special to The Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, Aug. 15th.—The production of Canadian agriculture will unquestionably be put to a further strain with the ending of the Pacific war and new liberated areas calling for assistance of all kinds, particularly for food.

Hastening Preparations

The Southwest Pacific islands, such as Sumatra, Java and Borneo, have rich resources and unless they are devastated by the Japanese before they have to get out, will probably pose no particular problem as far as food is concerned. But China with the migrations of much of the population, will present an urgent problem for UNRRA and other allied relief agencies. The same is true no doubt of other sections of the Southeast Asia mainland. It has already been announced that UNRRA officials are hastening preparations for their new duties, and asking for further financial assistance from the United Nations.

Gives Great Concern

The feed grain situation in Canada is giving concern to agricultural authorities. As a result of poor crops over sections of Alberta and Saskatchewan, there won't be enough feed grain to supply needs. The situation is being reviewed by the Agricultural Supplies Board and action will be taken, but linked with the feed grain situation in Eastern Canada, where crops are below normal, the outlook is none too good. In Eastern Saskatchewan and Manitoba, where crops are considerably better, there will be a surplus which will be shipped to poorer areas, although the limits of shipment will be defined. As corollary to this picture it has to be borne in mind that the meat needs of Europe continue to be urgent.

There has been a sharp increase in the demand for eggs and poultry. The price of eggs has gone up, and the supplies for Britain have contracted because of the difference in price for export and on the domestic market. The increased demand for poultry, which is not on rationed list, comes from meatless days in restaurants, observed at least partially in homes as well. In addition, we are filling a contract for 30,000,000 pounds of poultry for the U.S. army.

With the coming of VJ-Day, the

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Co-operation Holds Key to Workable World Order . . .

By GEORGE K. MacSHANE

It will I fear be considered by some, rather presumptuous on my part to endeavor to write of world politics or even to allow my thoughts to stray as far as the recent San Francisco Conference, which laid the basis for a new world organization. Yet I know, and you know, we shall never get lasting world peace until ordinary people make it their direct responsibility to understand what is being done in their name and try by every means to bring our leaders to think in terms of the common man instead of being concerned mainly with personal power, prestige and national security.

Orderly Economic World Vital

What can be expected of leaders who only think in terms of national boundaries to be defended in the last resort by national armed forces? Whatever else may result from San Francisco, unless an orderly economic world emerges, economic nationalism will again plunge us into war. As I see it, there was at San Francisco evidence of a chasm separating our people from our leaders, for the leaders appeared to be mainly willing to move toward an international organization on the political plane;

they saw little need for moving much further toward internationalism economically than is involved in such plans as that of Bretton Woods.

The reason, I think, is that the great powers are for the most part reasonably self-sufficient economically. Yet prosperity the world over is vital to Peace. The standards of millions of workers must be raised. We must help other nations to help themselves (it is only in our own self interest to do so.) International business relationships must be based on the principles

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By The Management

The price of eggs will go up on September 15th, so make every egg count. Not only in number, but also in QUALITY.

250,000 cases of eggs are wanted during this fall period. The need for eggs during the next twelve months will be at least as great as at any period during the war.

With the price of eggs rising considerably about September 15th, this year, all yearling hens which are laying well should not be sold as meat at this time. These hens should more than earn their keep for some time to come, so unless space is badly needed for young pullets commencing to lay, you would be well advised to keep your

good laying hens as long as possible.

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of mutual benefit.

Founded on Christian Principles

If these are facts, which I believe them to be; if we really mean what we say in the Atlantic Charter about the equality of Nations; might it not be an appropriate time to rededicate our lives, to redouble our efforts in a movement that holds the key to a world order that will work? It will take a long time, the road will not be easy, but as we build stronger and better co-operatives we will at least be directing men's thoughts in the direction of Christianity, for the principles of co-operation are founded on the principles of the Christian faith.

Let us work with the fixed purpose of changing men's hearts, so that people the world over, in devotion to the founder of our faith, may look on every human being as His brother. Let us build co-operative organizations and similar institutions founded on the principles of Christian brotherhood, strong enough to dominate the economic set-up throughout the world. Yes—it will take a long time, but then and not until then, will all men be free.

Christian Leaders Must Go Further

The Co-operative movement is given lip service from every Christian pulpit, yet how few Church leaders really lend a hand in putting into practice what they preach? Christian leaders must go further than the teachings of their spiritual doctrine for the individual. They must not neglect promoting the economic and social well being of the masses. If they do neglect it, all we hold dear may be swept away at one fell swoop.

For history has a knack of repeating itself; and this is the recurrent lesson of history: enraged masses smarting under their grievances in a misguided struggle for liberty, rising up and destroying all liberty, including their own.

The handwriting is on the wall. Monopolistic forces, masquerading under the title of "free enterprise", are already in the saddle. Reconstruction of our industries to the 1939 level does not meet the case. In the U.S.A., during that year, there were ten million unemployed. Today with an increased labor force and more efficient techniques of production, a return to a pre-war basis would mean 15 to 20 million unemployed. Many are fearing the Peace, for many are realizing that with the return of peace already partly achieved through victory in Europe, the breadlines may also return. But the masses will be in earnest. What they want more than anything else is freedom from want (economic security), the forerunner to a lasting peace.

All that has been proposed to date for veterans and unemployed cannot possibly do more than cushion the crash. And when the crash comes it will make 1929 look like a picnic.

Beveridge Offers Fundamental Criticism

Re-orientation of our entire economic set up is what must come. Sir William Beveridge offered a fundamental criticism in a speech reported in *Reynolds News* of July 2nd, 1944, on the British White Paper on employment policy. I quote: "If we really are to conquer unemployment, a fundamentally different approach is needed from that of the White Paper. In it the Government are fighting unemployment produced by the private enterprise system which they do not touch. The real way of fighting unemployment is to plan productive employment of all our resources for the common good and to make social conscience the driving force in our national life."

Let there be no mistake about it, if this is a war to end all wars, there must be a universal acceptance of some other form of society in which the principles of war will not be the predominant factor. This I believe to be one of the main reasons why so many people today view co-operation as the right way of life.

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after the drums of war cease beating.

Great Practical Movement

Nevertheless, we must never tire of stressing the practical aspects of the co-operative movement. One might write reams and reams of its gigantic growth the world over. In Great Britain today it employs 300,000 workers; its membership is 9,000,000; its retail stores have an annual turnover of £320,000,000; its wholesale societies well over £200,000,000.

As well as merchandising, the wholesale societies undertake such services as manufacture, transport, insurance; its bank has a turnover of £1,000,000,000, and the capital of this organization was started on pennies collected from the Rochdale workers to the value of £28, all told.

In Sweden and Denmark the story is much the same. In 1850 over 42 per cent of the farmers were tenants. In 1939 over 95 per cent of the farmers owned the land they tilled and 90 per cent of her people belonged to some sort of Co-operative.

Has Checked Exploitation in Canada

But let us come back to Canada. You are all fully acquainted with the steady growth of the movement on this North American Continent, the details of which need not be enumerated, but in passing I would like to say just this: The co-operative movement has made it impossible for the Canadian farmer to be subjected to the exploitation he suffered a few years ago and that surely is something.

Practically all the best things in life have been secured by mutual enterprise. Without it, it would have been impossible to build a road, a church, a school or a hospital. Without this co-operation all would be chaos. The essence of society is group action or men working together for the common good. The higher purposes in life are unattainable unless we join with our fellow-man in creating the instruments whereby they may be achieved.

So is it to be wondered at that so many today are advocating co-operation as a solvent for fratricidal strife.

Why Does Movement Sweep West?

Why is the movement sweeping the West right today as a huge prairie fire? And why has the movement achieved such outstanding social and economic success? I would say the answer is to be found in its brotherly motto of "Service". The value of our movement was stressed at the Hot Springs Conference, when the representatives of 42 nations assembled to consider post-war problems. The practical aspects of the Co-operative movement have been proven. The humanitarian aspects will have to be given effect to on a world wide basis if we are to have lasting peace.

Peace has ever been the basis of

all the humanitarian effort of the co-operative movement—a movement built on the co-operative principles of association, democratic government, the equitable distribution of all the world's resources, humanitarian solidarity based on the equal rights of all men and calculated to ensure freedom, justice and universal brotherhood. Brotherly kindness will rule the earth when social justice becomes the driving force in the national life of all countries.

Field Day at Balzac

By LEONARD D. NESBITT

Conrich municipal district agricultural service board arranged for three field days during the second week in August at the farms of O. Rosenberger, Balzac, J. W. Anderson, Delacour, and L. C. Hiatt, of Indus. It was the privilege of the writer to attend the event at the well-kept Rosenberger farm.

The agricultural service board is an organization formed for the purpose of improving agricultural practices in the municipality. It brings the responsibility to the farmers themselves and has the full support of the provincial Department of Agriculture. Mr. Rosenberger, who was chairman of the field day held on his farm, and who is also a councillor of the municipality, gave an outline of the plan. Mr. Whitbread, district agriculturist, who followed, explained that farming nowadays is entirely different to what it was thirty years ago and that the Provincial Department of Agriculture possesses a wealth of information available to all farmers. A plan has been devised, which, if followed by the farmer with an average size farm, can provide a fairly good living in the poor years which may come in the future. Mr. Whitbread said the service board was looked upon by the department as an important organization through which farmers could learn the best methods of eradicating weeds, improving their production and improving farm living.

Improving Home Surroundings

E. C. Hallman, in charge of farmstead planning service, spoke on the desirability of improving farm home surroundings. He presented ideas of how farm buildings should be located, windbreaks set out and the kind of trees and shrubs that should be planted.

Dr. A. G. McCalla, professor of agronomy at the University of Alberta, spoke on cereal crops, varieties and their improvement. A fine field of Titan barley, a new variety, was growing on the farm and was inspected with much interest by the gathering. Dr. McCalla said that Titan barley is notable for its strength of stem and freedom from smut. It is a good yielding field barley and the heads do not snap off easily, making it suitable for combining.

A number of farm ladies were present and were addressed by Miss N. J. Hogg, home economist, on the subject "Food Storage and Preservation".

The national film board showed pictures of agricultural and educational interest in the Balzac Hall the same evening. Refreshments were served by a local ladies' organization.

Saskatchewan Federated Co-ops Have Greatest Year of Business in All History

At their annual meeting in Saskatoon recently, Saskatchewan Federated Co-operatives reviewed the "greatest year in their history". During the first seven months of 1945, the business of the wholesale totalled upwards of \$4,000,000; in eleven months the co-op refinery handled \$2,752,658 worth of petroleum products and Consumers' Co-operative Mills processed \$245,373 worth of flour. The Regina headquarters, gutted by fire, is being rebuilt; new buildings have been purchased both in Saskatoon and Regina; purchases of several existing businesses

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brought the number of food stores in operation to 84. Purchase of two coal mines in the Drumheller area was approved by the meeting.

British engineers expect to start work shortly on the Tungabhadra River project, to irrigate more than a million acres of Indian soil; hydro-electric power will also be generated.

Russian Experiment

Best results from shelterbelts, it was found in a Soviet experimental station in semi-arid southeastern European Russia, were obtained from wide tree belts completely surrounding croplands and a crop rotation system which included 20 per cent of perennial grasses.

NOTICE OF POLL

ELNORA MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a vote will be taken on

Thursday, August 30, 1945

to ratify or reject THE ELNORA MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL SCHEME.

That a Poll will be open from Nine O'clock in the Forenoon and kept open until the hour of Six O'clock in the evening in the following Polling Stations established in the various Polling Divisions comprising the Elnora Municipal Hospital District:

POLL No. 1—All of Township 35, Range 23, West of 4th M.; also Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30 and 32, in Township 35, Range 22, West 4th M.; also Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, 35 and 36, in Township 35, Range 24, West 4th M.; also Sections 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15 and 16, in Township 36, Range 23, West 4th M.; also the Village of Elnora.

POLL No. 2—All of Township 35, Range 21, lying West and South of the Red Deer River; also Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35 and 36, in Township 35, Range 22, West 4th M.

POLL No. 3—East Half Township 35, Range 25, West 4th M.; also Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34, in Township 35, Range 24, West 4th M.

POLL No. 4—Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, in Township 36, Range 22, West 4th M.; also that portion of Township 36, Range 21, lying south and west of the Red Deer River; also Sections 1, 12 and 31, in Township 36, Range 23, West 4th M.

POLL No. 5—Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 17 and 18, in Township 36, Range 23, West 4th M.; also Sections 1 to 18 inclusive, in Township 36, Range 24, West 4th M.; also Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, in Township 36, Range 25, West 4th M.

POLL No. 6—All of Township 34, Range 21, West 4th M., lying West of the Red Deer River; also Township 34, Range 22, lying West of the Red Deer River; also Sections 1, 12, 13, 14, 24, 25 and 36, in Township 34, Range 23, West 4th M.

POLL No. 7—Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35, in Township 34, Range 23, West 4th M.; also the East Half of Township 34, Range 24, West 4th M.; also the Hamlet of Huxley.

POLL No. 8—West Half of Township 34, Range 24, West 4th M.; also Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35 and 36, in Township 34, Range 25, West 4th M.

That I will, on Friday, August 31, 1945, at the hour of Three O'clock in the afternoon at the Office of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Village of Elnora, Alberta, open the Ballot Boxes and finally declare the votes for and against the proposed scheme.

Given under my hand and seal at Elnora, Alberta, this 6th day of August, 1945.

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NOW TO CANADA'S PEACE-TIME TASKS

Canada's wartime tasks are done.

The aggressor states against which with her allies she fought have been reduced to impotence. External dangers have been removed. As one of the new "middle powers" she will have a wide measure of responsibility in the international field—and indeed, her own domestic well-being will largely depend upon decisions to be reached internationally.

At the same time, all Canadians will be compelled by circumstances to give their attention in increasing measure directly to the solving of their own internal problems.

Among these none presses for solution more insistently at this moment than the problem of Dominion-Provincial relationships—the subject of the Ottawa conference, which will be resumed after an adjournment. The future well-being of those who are engaged in agriculture, no less than that of other groups of citizens, is bound up in the success of this Conference.

For this reason we are fortunate to be able to present for the benefit of our readers the important series of articles which Mr. Brownlee is writing especially for *The Western Farm Leader*. The introductory article of the series appears in the present issue.

We are sure that our readers will appreciate the opportunity to obtain a clear picture of the issues to be faced by the Conference (and the course of their development), which these articles by an outstanding authority—eminent alike in law and in public service and in the executive service of farmer enterprise—will give.

IMMEDIATE ACTION CALLED FOR

With characteristic energy and initiative, farmers of East Central Alberta are organizing their forces with a view to obtaining immediate action from public authorities in the provision of irrigation works for the rehabilitation of this large area.

Farmers who have long been known as among the most public-spirited of their community have formed the East Central Irrigation Association, with headquarters at Hanna. They have issued a most informative, factual pamphlet, setting forth the nature of the Red Deer diversion project, which at an estimated initial cost of some \$6,750,000, including dam, main canal and storage, could provide an initial storage capacity of 315,000 acre feet of water. Actual construction of the works would employ 1500 men for 18 months, and the project would provide settlement, permanent homes and means of livelihood for 7,500 families.

The association, of which James A. Cameron of Youngstown is chairman and Cyril A. Coughlin of Hanna secretary, is doing good work in seeking to arouse the public, and the Federal and Provincial authorities, to a realization of the need for quick action in this matter. The carrying out of the project would be in the interest of the Province as a whole.

W. D. ALBRIGHT'S RECORD OF SERVICE

It was perhaps twenty years ago when, on a visit to the Peace River Country, we first met W. D. Albright at Beaverlodge.

He had then, as he has had ever since, two great enthusiasms—his own experimental work in agriculture and the advancement of the Peace River country as a whole, whose interest he identified,

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That soon in time's dark archives may be lost.
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That ushers in the fabulous new age.*

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

first of all with that of the farm people.

Neither passion has ever cooled. Though ill-health has recently necessitated his retirement from the position of Superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station at Beaverlodge, Mr. Albright remains as deeply interested in scientific and practical agriculture, and in the well-being and development of the great community of the Peace, as ever he was.

Since his intention to retire was announced, he has received many evidences, from all parts of Canada, of the fame his experimental work has won for his community. Men in leading positions in the Government services—particularly those holding administrative and technical responsibilities in the field of agriculture—have paid tribute to him, and to his fine record of achievement.

We think, perhaps, Mr. Albright will have enjoyed as much as any token of appreciation he has received, that of the members of the District Convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, who assembled in Grande Prairie on July 28th to do him honor for "the services he has rendered this country as a government official, as a citizen, and also as a neighbor, and member of this organization." We have received a brief account of this event from V. C. Flint, the President of the Association.

In an address presented to Mr. and Mrs. Albright, the Convention expressed their thanks for the "assistance and support which they gave to this farm body throughout the years".

"A good estimate of the destruction in European Russia is 50 per cent. The first goal is to recover as quickly as possible their economic position of 1941, before Hitler attacked them; then the Russians will go on from there."—Fritz Sternberg in *Common Sense*.

"We do not live by bread alone. There is danger in emphasizing only the practical side of the co-operative movement. We must recognize that the spread of cultural influences increases happiness. Some of the largest of the Co-operatives in Great Britain devote part of their funds to maintaining libraries, to publications, and to the encouragement of the arts."—J. E. Brownlee, K.C., LL.D.

"Education is not concerned with childhood alone. I am in my 88th year, and still have much to learn even within my own very limited capacity."—Bernard Shaw in *Everybody's Political What's What*.

A.F.A. NOTES

By JAMES R. McFALL

Your Secretary has had the privilege of visiting both the Calgary and Edmonton plants of the Alberta Poultry Producers, Limited, in recent weeks.

A visit to either of these plants is a real eye opener. To view the volume of eggs in store and transit, to see the large number of fowl being dressed, chilled and packed for shipment, and to watch the Egg Drying Plant at Edmonton in operation, is indeed an education. If more of the poultry producers in the Province could pay a visit to either of these plants, they would appreciate the size of their industry and could see for themselves what their own Co-operative is doing in this field of endeavor.

One disturbing feature that was noted in the Edmonton plant was the large number of unfinished fowl coming to market. The housewife will not buy these unfinished birds and as a result they are not appreciated on any market.

Crate fattening of these birds for ten days or two weeks would have meant profitable returns to the producer and a satisfactory meat dish to the consumer. Surely, we are not this short of feed in Alberta.

This office has received a number of bulletins prepared by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture entitled, "Farmers to take a hand in World Affairs", giving a graphic account of the visit to Canada last spring of the

Give Bank Figures on Farm Purchasing Power

Taking the average for the years 1935 to 1939 as representing 100, the Canadian Bank of Commerce indexes show that farm purchasing power in 1944 was 211.5. On the same basis of comparison farm income from sales was 280.6 and costs 132.7. (It is stated that these figures are subject to revision.)

During the Japanese occupation, six sugar-mills on the Philippines were destroyed, ten badly damaged and eleven others damaged to a lesser extent; cane acreage also was destroyed or in many cases abandoned. For the 1945-46 season, sugar production on the islands is estimated at 25,000 short tons, compared with a pre-war output of 1,127,000 short tons.

delegation representing organized agriculture from the United Kingdom. Copies will be sent to the directors of all Affiliate bodies. Other interested parties will be sent a copy on request as long as the supply lasts.

The postponed international conference of farm organizations will be held May, 1946.

HELD OVER

A very fine report of the recent annual meeting of Acadia U.F.A. Co-operative, by Mr. McFall, is unavoidably held over, together with the important third article in the series on sewage disposal by L. M. Kilmister, and a report of the annual banquet of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative.

Series Well Attended U.F.A. Meetings Held in Peace River Farm Communities

A series of well attended meetings in the Peace River country, held recently, was addressed by U.F.A. speakers, and sound motion pictures were shown by D. C. Thornton, of the U.F.A. Co-op field service. At Bluesky, Westvale, Valley View, Hythe and Elmworth and at the Grande Prairie convention, Mrs. M. E. Lowe, Vice-President, spoke of the contribution of the U.F.W.A. to improvement of farm conditions, and President George E. Church of the U.F.A. dealt especially with the progress of the U.F.A. Co-operative. M. G. Gudlaugson and Mrs. V. C. Flint, U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Directors, also spoke briefly.

At Valley View a Junior U.F.A. was formed, with Mrs. M. E. Werklund supervisor, Oscar Soderquist president and George Clough secretary.

V. C. Flint presided over the Grande Prairie convention, attended by a capacity crowd. Mr. Church and Mrs. Lowe were the chief speakers; Miss Paverly gave a talk on the work of the Olds School of Agriculture, Mrs. Lewis Stickney gave a reading and Miss Ethel Gudlaugson a piano solo.

Later meetings, at which Mrs. Lowe and D. C. Thornton were the speakers, were those at Clairmont, Sexsmith, Beaverlodge (at the Experimental Station), Aspendale, Two Rivers, Grovedale, and Buffalo Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Flint also spoke at the Aspendale and Two Rivers meetings, and Mrs. Flint and Mr. Gudlaugson at Grovedale.

Address by U.F.A. President Highlights Conference Held "North of the Peace"

W. J. Williams, R. H. MacDonald and Mrs. Lorne Harris were re-elected president, vice-president and secretary, at the recent two-day conference of U.F.A. "North of the Peace", in Brownvale. Directors are Mrs. Walter Cowan, M. Holden, S. Simpson, J. Mackay and J. Reyda, Jr. Jimmie Boyd was appointed Junior Director.

Friday's session, states a letter from Mrs. Harris, was high-lighted by the address of George Church, U.F.A. President, who spoke on the co-operative, and on the work of the organization in connection with many farm problems, touching on the organization of the Wheat Pool, the minimum price for wheat, the quota system, Grain Act amendments, farm debts reduction, better education for rural children, and others. Other speakers were Mrs. M. E. Lowe, and U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. Directors, Mrs. Flint, Mrs. W. Cowan, M. G. Gudlaugson, and W. J. Williams. Representing the Canadian Legion, W. Biggs and A. Marin spoke on the Veterans' Land Act and plans for returned men. D. C. Thornton presented sound movies both evenings, and later, dancing was enjoyed.

Would Assist in Starting Co-op Packing Plants Here

EDMONTON.—That the British Co-operative Wholesale Society would definitely be interested in the establishment of co-operatively owned packing plants in Canada, and would be prepared to assist in their financing after the war, was intimated by a delegation from that organization that visited Canada last summer, according to information given in the report of the Directors of A.L.C. This possibility will be fully explored when the time is ripe for it, the Board intimated.

Norwegian milk production, during the first five months of 1945, was 27 per cent less than in the same period in 1944; and the 1944 production was only 42 per cent of that of 1939. During the Nazi occupation the number of cows declined, and there is a shortage of protein feed concentrates.



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As the first step in the re-imposition of meat rationing, all slaughtering of livestock in Canada was placed under permit control on July 9, 1945, except in the case of farmers who slaughter for their own or their farmer neighbor's use. All commercial slaughterers of cattle, calves, sheep, lamb or hogs must now have a Wartime Prices and Trade Board slaughter permit to carry on business. Applications should be made to the nearest Board office.

With one important exception, the regulations governing farm slaughtering are the same as when meat rationing was in effect previously. Under the new order, any excess of meat over the farmer's or his neighbor's needs may be sold only to the holder of a regular slaughter permit.

The minimum amount which a farmer may sell to such a permit holder is one quarter of beef and half a hog carcass. Sheep, lamb or calves slaughtered by the farmer for his own or his neighbor's use may not be sold into the meat trade.

Any farmer who regularly slaughters cattle, calves, sheep, lamb or hogs for the meat trade requires a regular slaughter permit and must stamp all carcasses with his permit number and the number indicating the quality.

Holders of slaughter permits who purchase beef or pork from farmer slaughterers not holding permits must stamp the meat in the regular manner and must submit a record of all such purchases in their returns.

MEAT IN COLD STORAGE LOCKERS

When meat rationing goes into effect, all persons holding meat in cold storage lockers will be required to surrender coupons.

PREMIUM FOR SPRING LAMB

The wholesale and retail price ceilings for spring lamb have been extended to August 31 for the 1945 lamb crop. This action has been taken to discourage the slaughtering of unfinished lamb and will increase the volume of meat by allowing time for growing and maturing. Under earlier schedules the higher price ceiling for lamb ended on July 15.

NEW POTATO PRICES

First seasonal reduction from the producer ceiling price for new potatoes came into effect July 22 with further seasonal adjustments on July 28. Shippers' maximum prices are based on ceilings set for Harrow, Ontario, and Vancouver, B.C., plus transportation costs not to exceed 40c per 100 lbs. Growers' ceilings for the various price periods are \$3.75 per cwt. up to July 21; \$3.50 from July 22 to July 28; \$3.25 from July 29 to August 11; \$3.00 from August 12 to August 31.

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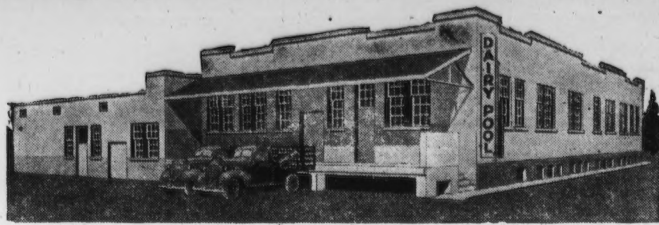
Ten preserves coupons P4-P13 became valid July 19 for purchase of sugar for canning. Each coupon is good for the purchase of ½ pound of sugar so that an additional five pounds of sugar for canning can now be obtained. Two preserves coupons became good on March 15 for sugar for canning. On May 17 eight preserves coupons were declared valid for the purchase of sugar for canning, each of these coupons worth ½ pound. With the ten coupons valid on July 19, twenty coupons have been made available for the purchase of ten pounds of sugar for canning. This is in addition to the regular preserves coupons two of which become valid each month and the regular sugar allotment through the sugar coupons. The twenty coupons for sugar for canning still remain valid until declared invalid and plenty of notice will be given before such action is taken.

HARVEST HELP RATIONS

Farm workers employed for more than two weeks should provide their own ration books. If help is hired for less than two weeks special ration coupons for the men's meals may be obtained from the Local Ration Board. The applicants must list the number of extra men employed, complete details of the work and the number of days the men will be hired.

For further details of any of the above orders apply to the nearest office of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION



Milking Time Meditation

By P. TERRY JAMIESON, Allingham

NOTE.—Mr. Jamieson, very many thanks for your masterpiece, which we have the pleasure of printing below. I trust every member of the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool will read and profit from your very able article. If you read my accompanying letter to Mr. Sterling's article recently, you would note that I had hoped that we would unearth among our delegates some authors with creative genius. I think we have done so and at any future date when you find the time or inclination to write in the columns of the S.A.D.P. page in The Western Farm Leader, we will be very pleased to publish your article. I am sure your present article will help the co-operative movement generally. Thanking you,

Yours fraternally,

Wm Burns

Three Hills, Alta.

Back in the days when my worthy father was paying the authorities to instill some education into his family, I was taught among many other things about the "Law of Diminishing Returns".

It is curious how a name or a phrase will reappear in memory, resurrected from apparent oblivion.

I had forgotten such a theory existed, and still don't remember what it was about, though probably it appeared in the economics classes, wherein, over a quarter of a century ago, our lecturer propounded to us many beautiful theories on the laws of capital: Capital certainly seemed to lay down many laws.

"Diminishing Returns" With a Vengeance

One evening recently while milking the cows, the "Law of Diminishing Returns" came into my head, and seemed to return at a very appropriate moment for meditation. A few days before we had happened to be right in the path of a hail-storm. This hailstorm swept right over the farm, and brought with it an immediate and thorough "diminishing of returns" with no theory attached—just cold, hard, practical fact—cold as ice.

There is no doubt about it, after a hailstorm you are faced with the stern actuality of "diminishing returns" which calls for an immediate re-appraisal of your finances, and a revaluation of your assets. This undertaking eventually focuses the light on one inhabitant of the farmyard, and brings to the foreground—the milk cow.

After the hail, that row of milk cows suddenly assumes a role of immense importance, and becomes immediately promoted from being an unloved chore, to the position of savior of the day—provider of the cream cheque.

On so many farms, the cream cheque squares the grocer, and feeds the family, aye and clothes the children. Also when a set back occurs, that cream cheque has been stretched to provide many other items, and tide over a crisis.

Fortunate Are We of the Pool

Fortunate are we that can continue to ship cream, and cash a cream cheque twice a week. We can go further than that, and say—Fortunate are we who can ship cream, and still retain control of it, till it is processed, and sold as a finished product—butter.

Through the efforts and foresight of a number of people, there have been organized in the last two decades the Dairy Pools, with the main objective of processing and marketing our cream, to the ultimate advantage of

the "folks who milk the cows" instead of to "capital and its fancy laws".

What It Was Like Before

These Pools have been organized long enough so that some of us who milk cows, have forgotten just what it was like when there were no alternatives to private capital creameries. When you had to take what was given you, without any rights or protection, and a possibility of "Diminishing Returns" whenever the speculative market saw fit.

However, most of us are aware of the advantage of being in the Pool, and alive to the necessity of helping to support the enterprise, in order that it can support us.

Having been privileged to attend many annual meetings of two of our Dairy Pools, both as visitor and as delegate, I have had the opportunity to see some of their inner workings, and to realise the steady growth and magnitude of these undertakings.

Only One Unpredictable Factor

There is evidence of much responsibility and worry being assumed by the men we elect to run our organization, and every sign of care and thoroughness in the management, who are operating our plants for us. In fact, there is only one unpredictable factor in the whole set up, and that is—"us"—the shippers of the cream.

If we can be relied upon to provide the volume of cream needed, the board and management will do the rest.

Therefore, let us, who milk the cows, complete our part of the job, and ship to the organizations that "Co-operative enterprise" is building up, so that we can strengthen the foundations of profitable farming, and lay the bogey of periodic "diminishing returns" in the dust where it belongs.

Note: Mr. Jamieson is a delegate of the S.A.D.P. for District 4.

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A.L.C. Executive

Following the Annual Meeting of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative, the Board of Directors re-elected Hugh W. Allen President, and C. P. Hayes of Strome was elected Vice-President, succeeding R. M. MacCrimmon of Fort Saskatchewan. J. R. Tomlinson of Foisy was elected third member of the Executive. Full list of Board members was given in our last issue.

BROWNLEE

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direct taxation, it has also the wider and richer field of indirect taxation, of which Customs and Excise Duties are the most familiar.

Developments in our Economic and Social life have been such as throw an ever increasing burden on the Provinces. Good roads programs to meet the age of the motor car and truck; schools, universities, hospitals and public health programs, have made financial demands on the Provinces to an extent never dreamed of by the fathers of Confederation.

Dividing Line of "No-Man's Land"

Then there is that dividing line—a sort of no-man's land where the responsibility as between the Dominion and Provinces is not clearly defined. We witnessed an example in the thirties in the controversy over the responsibility for unemployment relief. The Dominion said it was the responsibility of the Provinces. The Provinces said it arose from national causes and was the responsibility of the Dominion. Finally it was left for the Provinces to administer, with the Dominion contributing to the cost. As a result there was no common standard and the unemployed rode the rods looking for jobs.

So too often we have seen the Provinces and the Dominion giving the appearance of rival forces looking at each other from the barricades of Provincial and Dominion constitutional rights, with each making occasional forays into the other's territory. Such an attitude is not conducive to the greatest success in conference.

Obstacle Arising From Geography

The other obstacle arises from the geographical position of Canada. In

common with the International boundary line, the main arteries of transportation and communication run East and West. The financial heart of Canada is of necessity in the Central Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Those Provinces gather a rich reward from the business done everywhere. The Canadian Pacific Railway has branch lines and stations in every Province, but its head office and staff and treasury is in Montreal. The same is true of the Canadian National Railway as a state owned institution. A great oil or insurance company may have branches and agencies in every community, but its head office may be in Toronto. Its profit or loss is reflected there.

Wealth in Canada tends to gravitate to the Central Provinces. In pre-war days those Provinces derived huge revenues from income and corporation taxes and from succession duties. They could finance public works and social services more easily than could the other Provinces. So it is not surprising that they should view with jealous eyes the rights and privileges which they enjoy under the constitution and be very reluctant to yield any such rights to another Government. Quebec, of course, has a very peculiar incentive to take that position in its determination to protect its minority rights. So we watch with interest the position which the Central Provinces will take.

Three Advantageous Considerations

These hurdles may not prove so formidable at this Conference. They are off-set by at least three important considerations.

The first is the intensive preparation for this conference. The studies commenced by the Rowell-Sirois Commission have been continued. The accounts of the Provinces have been put on a uniform basis. Economists and expert accountants have been assembling statistical data with respect to all important phases of our National Economy and sources of wealth. A recent report says that the Provincial Premiers, leaving Ottawa at the conclusion of the first session of the Conference, carried with them five pounds of statistical information. A basis for intelligent conclusion is now available to an extent never before known at such a Conference.

The second reason is found in the efforts being made to keep away from party considerations. The Prime Minister has invited leaders of other political groups to be present. Premier Duplessis of Quebec said in his open address, that he was not there as representing a political party. Influential daily newspapers are urging Provincial Premiers to follow the example of the Prime Minister in taking opposition groups into consultation. It is no great National secret that in previous conferences representatives of both Dominion and Provincial Governments have not been averse to playing politics at times. If party politics can be kept out of the Conference, it will mean much to its ultimate success.

Dominion in Strong Position

Then the Dominion is in a very strong position at this Conference. It holds good cards. That possession is nine points of the law is true in the political world as elsewhere. During the war years the Dominion alone has collected Corporation and Income Taxes, turning back to the Provinces a part of the amount collected. The existing rates are so high that there is little room left for the Provinces if they entered this field again. Moreover, taxpayers generally would not willingly go back to the pre-war conditions in which they were at the mercy of two or more Governments with respect to this form of taxation.

With respect to Succession Duties alone the Provinces are still in the premier position. The desire of the Provinces to command their own sources of revenue will probably have been considerably modified during the war years. The Dominion, on the other hand, since the publication of the Rowell-Sirois report, has witnessed a widespread and growing belief that

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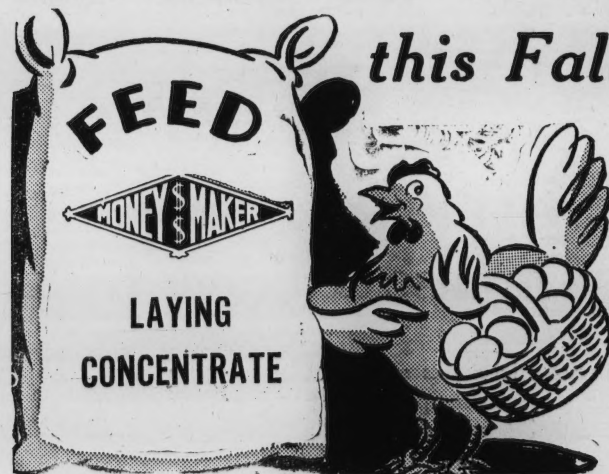


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social services and necessary public works cannot be adequately financed by the Provinces from their available sources of revenue and that Dominion contribution is necessary. So both the Provincial and the Dominion Governments are probably ready to make concessions. It is rather a question of degree. In the meantime the Conference has adjourned. The Provincial delegates have gone home, each with his five pounds of statistics. They will meet again towards the end of September. The interval will be a period of study. When they reassemble, the probability of the success or failure of the Conference will be more apparent. From a National standpoint failure might be disastrous.

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WAR DIARY

Aug. 2nd.—Truman, Stalin, Attlee, send from Potsdam message of thanks to Churchill; say "The whole world knows the greatness of his work, and it will never be forgotten." Allied naval units shell Jap coast, both sides of Tokyo.

Aug. 3rd.—Potsdam terms for Germany announced; no army, navy nor air force to be permitted, no colonies, no shipping, no heavy industry usable for war preparations; trial war criminals, reparations, provided for; democratic rights for citizens promised.

Chinese prepare large-scale attacks against Jap armies, is Chungking report. Mines afloat in oceans of world will be menace to shipping for years, is belief.

Aug. 4th.—Allied planes concentrate attacks on Japanese railways.

Aug. 5th.—Four of 31 Jap cities that have been warned of impending air attack bombed by Allied planes. Calcutta states more than 10,000 Jap soldiers killed in Sittang engagement. Spanish military leaders plan restoration monarch, supplanting Franco, is Madrid report.

Aug. 6th.—Dropping of atomic bomb on Japanese army base, Hiroshima, "sixteen hours ago," announced by President Truman; says bomb is

"harnessing of the basic power of the universe"; feverish German efforts to find means of using this energy had failed; work of British, American, and Canadian scientists, successful. First Canadian troops reach advanced Pacific areas.

Aug. 7th.—Japanese admit severe damage caused by new bomb; call it "diabolic, inhuman." Experts declare it 2,000 times as destructive as British "Grand Slam". Early report by James R. Byrnes (now U.S. secretary of State) declared it "too terrible to use."

Aug. 8th.—Russia declares war on Japan, starting after midnight. Sixty per cent of city of Hiroshima said destroyed by single atomic bomb. Superforts strike Yawata, Jap steel centre, third attack in three days. Four major western powers agree on machinery for Nazi war criminal trials. Spanish republicans ask Franco be put on trial. UNRRA asks United Nations for \$1,516 millions, in addition to \$700 millions required for Russia. New Zealand ratifies United Nations Charter. British air-sea rescue service saved lives of 5,721 Allied airmen, during European war. French election announced for October 21st.

Aug. 9th.—Second to be used, atomic bomb is dropped on Japanese city of Nagasaki. Russian troops have crossed Manchurian border on wide front, advanced up to 14 miles. Liaison to be established between MacArthur's Pacific forces, Russians. Attlee welcomes Russian entry into war. "Hangman of Belsen" taken prisoner.

Aug. 10th.—Japanese broadcast offer to surrender on "Potsdam" terms if Emperor allowed to retain "prerogatives". Washington announces government is considering offer, with British, Russian, Chinese governments. Russian forces push 100 miles into Manchuria; attack Korea, Sakhalin. Allied bombers destroy 259 Jap planes on northern Honshu. Uganda, first Canadian warship to have seen action in Pacific, docks at Esquimalt. British minesweepers begin task of clearing 100,000 moored mines from British coastal waters.

Aug. 11th.—Allied powers will accept Japanese surrender, if Emperor will carry out Allied directions. Allies suspend air-sea attacks on Japan. Chinese occupy port on Wuchow. Russian armies in pincer movement in Manchuria, 550 miles apart. Million men will be required to police Japan after war, is Washington estimate. U.S. casualties now 1,068,216, including 251,424 killed. Prosecutor Mornet appeals for death sentence, at conclusion trial of Petain.

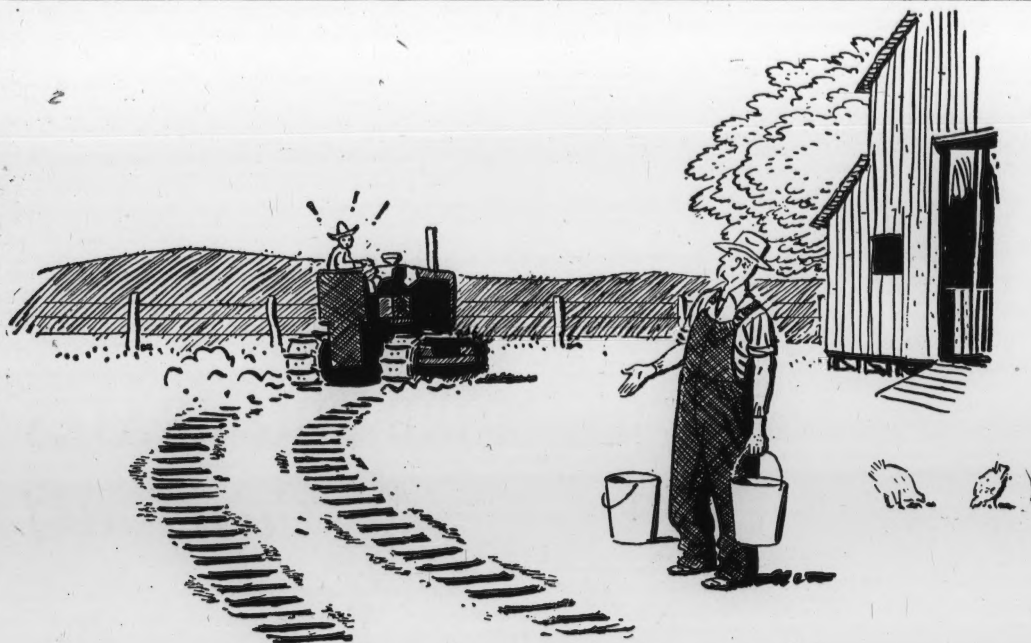
Aug. 12th.—Broadcast report Japs have accepted surrender terms proves unfounded. Allied air offensive resumed; Russian marines take Jap naval base of Rashin, port of Yuki, southwest of Vladivostok. Eisenhower reviews Russian troops in Moscow.

Aug. 13th.—Russians reach plains of Manchuria. Yokohama target Allied air attacks. Canada, France, given seats on UNRRA central committee; L. B. Pearson, Canadian ambassador to U.S., says Canada won't be behind other countries in supplying goods, funds. U.S. is only country with complete information on atomic bombs, is Ottawa report; Attlee says Britain will co-operate in control of devastating weapon. Casualties of fighting men during war over 47,000,000, incomplete estimate. Fake report of Japan's surrender mysteriously sent out over United Press wire, F.B.I. investigating.

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**Brownlee Addresses A.L.C.—Must
Maintain Livestock Prices
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Commenting on the changed market situation—inevitable, he said, under the circumstances—which faces the livestock industry in Canada with the end of the war in Europe, Hon. J. E. Brownlee, K.C., LL.D., addressing the annual meeting of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative in Edmonton, said that competent observers returning from England have observed that Danish bacon is again finding its way into the London markets very rapidly.

Along Two Lines

"Just what the effect will be upon our livestock markets," Mr. Brownlee added, "we cannot say, but certainly the efforts of an organization such as this should be directed along two lines:

"1. To impress upon the Government the need of the most aggressive action to maintain our markets abroad to the fullest extent possible, and,

"2. To see to it that prices are maintained to prevent any disastrous slump. Indeed, the danger is that our producers may become disturbed and sacrifice their livestock unless some assurance is given."

Royal Commission on Co-operatives

Discussing with the delegates the Royal Commission on Co-operatives, which finished its sessions in Ottawa on July 27th and is now engaged in compiling its report, Mr. Brownlee touched on some of the highlights of

One-third More With 5 Per Cent Less

American farmers are now producing about one-third more food and fibre than before the war, with about 5 per cent fewer workers, stated I. W. Duggan, governor of the Farm Credit Administration recently; and with adequate machines, fertilizer, and labor again becoming available, it may be possible, in his opinion, within a year or two after the war, to step up production per man to an even higher level.

the hearings across Canada and particularly commented upon the very great variety of forms which Co-operatives in Canada had assumed.

Some are found organized on share capital basis and in this class some pay interest on share capital and some do not, he pointed out. Others are organized on a contract basis similar to the Wheat Pools' contracts in the early days of those organizations. Still others are on a membership basis, some with a substantial membership fee and others with almost automatic membership.

Matter of Fundamental Principle

The difficulty confronting the Commission, said Mr. Brownlee, will be to find a definition of membership, which would be at all comprehensive. After all, he said, it was not a matter of form which decided whether or not an organization was co-operative. It was a matter of fundamental principle and intent, rather than one of form. He also spoke of the visit of the Commission to England, from which the Commissioners had just returned. They found there that all co-operatives were still organized on a share capital basis paying interest on share capital and they found there too, a complete answer to the argument that size had nothing to do with whether or not an organization was co-operative. Co-operatives there were gigantic in size, the wholesale societies being far greater and more extensive than anything found in Canada.

S.A.D.P. SECTION

(Continued from page 6)

To All Bee-keepers of Alberta

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CHRIS TOPPENBERG,
Manager, Southern Alberta
Dairy Pool, Calgary.

The Western Farm Leader LEGAL DEPARTMENT

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE,
K.C., LL.D.

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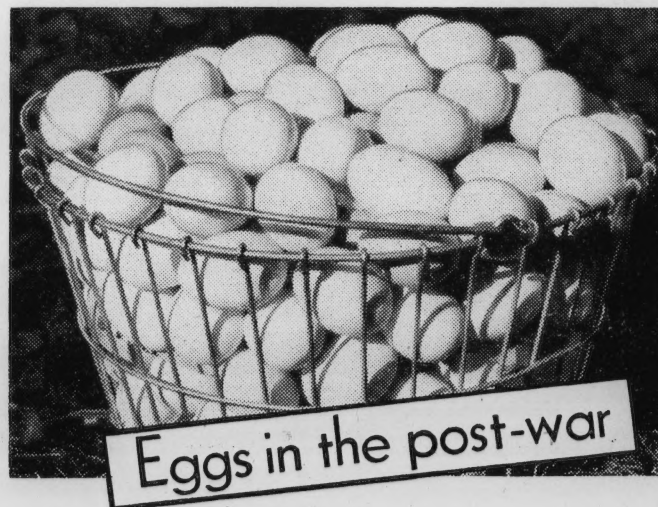
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Interests of The United Farm Women

WHEN THE HAIL COMES

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Dear Farm Women:

Isn't it about time that I was at my old theme of the weather? For "weather" we have been experiencing. To some few it may have been ideal, but to more, I think, it has been an anxious waiting for rain which was delayed so long that crops will not be the success they should be. The delay in many instances has been marked by occasions when big, black billowy clouds rolled up and resulted only in wind. When the rain did come, it was a deluge of a downfall. In other cases, it was "hail"!

Some "Philosophers"

There are of course some who are philosophers over the hail. They say, "At least we'll have some ice-cream with the ice here". But I might say that very often it is the case of philosophizing over someone else's loss. We hear, "Oh well, they were insured and the drought had cut down the yield, anyway". True, the insurance is indeed a blessing for those who carry it, although unfortunately all do not. But is it not after all only a salve? And does the fact of the equal financial return mean the same? I think to the real farm folk it does not. There is not the satisfaction of a job well done. There is not the feeling they have played their part in making contribution to the food-supply of the world.

To the women possibly the result of the storm is centred more round one thing—the garden. So many country gardens, vegetable and flower alike, are largely the work of the women that they have an additional interest in them. They think of the loss it will mean to the family table when they see the lettuce pounded into the earth, the almost leafless stalks of the tomatoes, and the vines crushed and mangled.

Result of Back-breaking Hours Lost

In addition, they think of the back-breaking hours that have been put into that piece of ground. They think of how they enjoyed seeing the growth of the various vegetables and noting and comparing when they would be ready. They think of the plans to give something of this and that to a neighbor. And when they turn to the flower garden—well they quickly turn away, for the beauty and the color seem a thing of the past. It all seems to have been so useless.

Sometimes there are a few bright spots. Someone we thought indifferent to our troubles has shown a sympathetic interest. Neighbors of whom we did not expect it have tried to make contribution from their supply. Of course, old friends have come to the rescue in their usual dependable way. While there has been great disappointment, there has also been heart-warming.

It is a time too when we realize more keenly than ever when we see how we are at the mercy of climatic conditions often purely local, that such expenses as education and health should be more and more a matter of Provincial care, rather than individual or local.

But to any who have been victims this season, we offer our sympathy. And now for all, "No early frost"!

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Wheatheaf U.F.W.A. (Altario) report a very enjoyable meeting, with a visit from a former member, Mrs. Morley, now living on Vancouver Island. These ladies recently made \$48 from their lunch booth at Altario Sports Day.

Energetic U.F.W.A. (Milk River) enjoyed the reading of the "Family at Home" bulletin at a recent meeting, reports Mrs. Rosie Iseke, secretary.

A most enthusiastic and interesting report of the Park Lake Community Life Conference was given by Mrs. David Carlson at the last meeting of Roosevelt U.F.W.A. (Woolford). Arrangements were made for a demonstration by Miss La Priel, district home economist, and Mr. Carter of the O.S.A.

Correspondence read at a meeting of Conrich U.F.W.A. included some very interesting letters from "our boys overseas", writes Mrs. W. J. Laycock, secretary. Plans were discussed for the forthcoming bazaar, and for a shower for three newly married couples.

A sewing demonstration, with Miss Switzer in charge, was arranged by Kia-Ora U.F.W.A. (Acme) recently, and it was decided to recommend to the Acme Board of Trade that a meeting-place be established for the use of young people in the community.

Farm, Home & Garden

Honey Twist: Scald 1 cup milk, add 1/4 cup shortening, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 tsp. salt. Cool to lukewarm, add 1/4 cup yeast (or 2 tablets compressed yeast dissolved in 1/4 cup lukewarm water) 1 beaten egg, and flour to make soft dough (about 5 cups). Knead thoroughly, let rise until double in bulk. Knead down, form into two long rolls; coil each into a greased round cake pan, beginning at outside, and brush with topping (1 tbs. butter creamed with 1 tbs. sugar and 2 tbs. honey). Let rise again, bake in moderately hot oven.

Meals for the Day should include milk (adults, one pint, children more), cheese when available; tomatoes or citrus fruit, one serving other fruit, fresh or canned; potatoes, two servings other vegetables; one serving whole-grain cereal, 4 to 6 slices bread; one serving daily of meat, fish or meat substitute (eggs, cheese, dried beans, etc.), liver, heart or kidney once a week; at least 3 or 4 eggs weekly. These are minimum requirements for health.

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Transplanting of peonies, tulips, lilies, raspberries, bush fruits and spring blooming perennials can be done to advantage in September.

To Keep Hens Laying in late summer it may be well to supplement a (Continued on page 11, col. 3)

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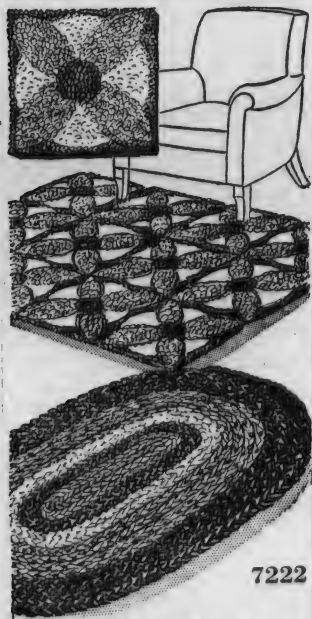
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The Western Farm Leader PATTERN DEPARTMENT



by Alice Brooks

It's fun to make colorful, practical floor coverings from discarded clothing of all kinds. Pattern 7222 has directions for nine rugs—crocheted, hooked, woven or braided—with lists of materials and pattern pieces if needed.

The handsome sum of \$65 was realized by Cassils U.F.W.A. from their food hamper raffle. Members were enthusiastic in their praises of the Brooks Conference, writes Mrs. Fred Roberts.

Re-establish Co-operatives in Yugoslavia

The first co-operative leadership school in Yugoslavia to be started since liberation from the Nazis was opened recently with 50 students. Co-operatives, which had a million and a half members before the war, were ruined by the Nazis (partly because the local co-ops became centres of resistance), their property confiscated and their leaders dispersed. The government headed by Marshal Tito is aiding in re-establishing the co-operatives and in the training of leaders.

Junior News Items

Hiram Junior U.F.A., in the south Coronation district, was organized at a recent meeting of interested young people in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Debolt, writes Gladys Pringle, sub-Director. Fifteen members joined, and made plans for a dance to raise funds. Florris Looy is president, Helen Suintjens vice-president and Laura Calkins secretary.

A party for Ken Clayton, recently returned from overseas, on his way to the Pacific, was arranged by Cornich Juniors, and another planned for Matthew Bates, who is expected to visit his home soon, en route to the Pacific. These Juniors also assisted the U.F.W.A. in holding a reception in honor of three newly married couples—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Poffenroth (nee Mary Bishop) and Mr. and Mrs. Doug. Laycock—and contributed towards wedding gifts for them. At their last meeting they decided to ask the Hall Committee to hold a meeting with a Junior committee to plan a series of entertainments at Chestermere for the winter.

To show its approval of higher education, the Dominion government has made provision whereby students 18 to 21 who are studying at junior colleges or universities earn a deduction of \$108 on their parents' income tax.

Affected Over 30 Million

The Nazi labor conscription policy affected a total of 30,000,000 to 35,000,000 persons, counting the families of those imported to Germany, according to a study made by the International Labour Office. The policy was only partly successful, the report states, in meeting the labor needs of the Nazi war machine.

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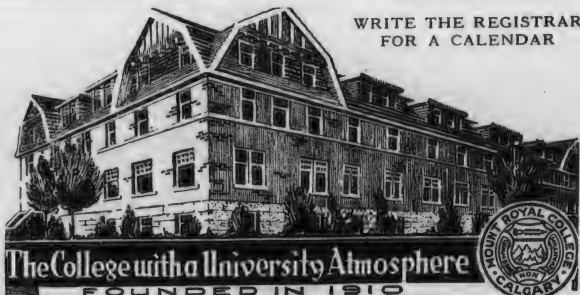
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FARM HOME AND GARDEN

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decreasing supply of insects and worms on the range with more meat scrap, fish meal, skimmed milk or butter-milk. If the birds are confined, or if the range has become tough and dry, they should be given some green alfalfa, clover, garden waste, or lawn clippings. Concentrates in the mash mixture assume greater importance as the season advances, and a constant supply of fresh water should be provided.

The first of the monthly Baby Clinics being held by Stettler Health Unit in the U.F.A. Hall at Alix was a

great success, reports Mrs. Alice M. Nielsen, secretary of Alix U.F.W.A. These ladies recently earned \$18 by serving supper for the Buffalo Lake Livestock Association; and teas and sales held by two groups realized \$29.75 and \$39. A Flower Show has been arranged for this week (Saturday), a substantial part of the proceeds to go to the Red Cross.

Sunnyvale U.F.W.A. (Edgerton) recently presented a gold satin cushion to Mr. and Mrs. Empey, on the occasion of their golden wedding.

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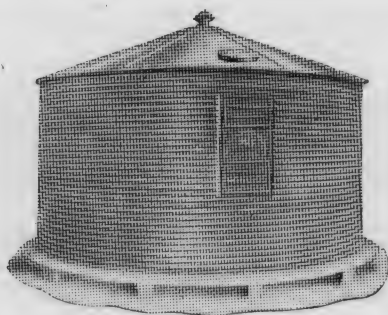
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The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
Alberta Wheat Pool

The condition of the wheat crop on the Canadian prairies is of primary concern at the present time. A tentative guess at the outturn is around 300 million bushels of wheat as compared with a production of 410 million bushels in these three Prairie Provinces in 1944.

Manitoba has a good crop and the production there will total around 50 million bushels of wheat. Saskatchewan and Alberta together have a seeded area of better than 20 million acres under wheat. An average production of 12-1/2 bushels to the acre would produce a crop of 250 million bushels. Adding in 50 millions for Manitoba would give a grand total of 300 million bushels of wheat for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta combined.

Carryover Likely to Dwindle

If another 25 million bushels was added as the combined production of the rest of Canada, the total production of the Dominion this year will be around 325 million bushels. The carryover from last crop year was 275 to 285 million bushels, which provides a total of wheat in all positions at better than 600 million bushels. Canada might well get rid of 500 million bushels through export and domestic use during the next twelve months. If this is accomplished the carryover will be down to 100 million bushels by the end of the crop year.

Figures of U.S. wheat production this year have been raised to 1,146 million bushels, the greatest crop that American republic ever produced. The corn production estimate is up to 2.8 billions, substantially below last year's production but reasonably good in view of the very unsatisfactory corn weather.

Australia's production of wheat is now estimated at 150 million bushels, or three times that of last year. Argentina's grain crops are suffering from bad weather conditions and it will be another month or two before an accurate idea of what may be expected in the way of production can be obtained.

PROPOSE WAGE RATES

Rates of \$5 a day for harvest and \$6 a day for threshing were proposed to R. Putman, head of the Provincial Farm Labor Committee, as reasonable for efficient help, following a recent meeting of the Alberta Farmers' Union Executive, states R. J. Boutilier, in a letter to *The Western Farm Leader*. These rates have the approval of Selective Service, it is stated, and the A.F.U. asks farmers to refrain from bidding up wages to unreasonable levels, and to stabilize harvest wages on a fair basis.

Together with a committee from District 6—J. Melenka, A. Milsap and Mr. Stimpfle, the Executive interviewed Hon. C. E. Gerhart, Minister of Municipalities, on the question of collection of dues through Municipalities. The Minister expressed the view that the Municipalities now have the power to do this if they so wish.

A resolution asking that the embargo be lifted on shipment of Canadian cattle, sheep and lambs to the U.S. was forwarded to Hon. J. G. Gardiner; and, following discussion of the packers' strike, a committee was set up to study matters of this kind with representatives of Labor Unions.

L. C. Halmrast retained the Warner seat for the Social Credit Government in last week's by-election.

WAR DIARY

(Continued from page 8)

Aug. 14th.—Japanese acceptance surrender terms announced simultaneously by Attlee, Truman, but Japanese planes attack 13rd Fleet after

Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Aug. 15th.—Action in cattle market in past week has been just fair, with prices generally 25c to 50c lower on butcher steers and cows. Good to choice steers sold for \$11 to \$11.50; butcher heifers \$10 to \$10.50; good cows from \$7.50 to \$8. Stockers and feeders in fair demand, plain kinds slow; good to choice feeder steers \$8 to \$9, stock heifers \$7.50 down and cows \$6.50 down. Hogs steady, Grade A's \$17, sows \$10.50 on yards.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Aug. 15th.—Cattle market has been slow, prices 25c to 50c lower on all classes butcher cattle. Hogs sold yesterday \$17.80 at yards, plants; sows \$10.75 to \$11, liveweight; good lambs \$12 to \$12.25, fat ewes, yearlings, \$4.50 to \$7.50. Good choice butcher steers \$11 to \$12, common to medium, \$9.50 to \$10.75; heifers, \$10 to \$11 down to a low of \$8.50; cows, \$7.75 to \$8.25, down to a low of \$6.

The Dairy Market

Local print prices are unchanged, at 35c; local butterfat is 32c, plus 10c subsidy. Eastern markets are quoting 34-3/4c, solids, and Winnipeg, 32-1/2c.

Hirohito's surrender broadcast. Russian capture Linkow, at least 21 other Jap strong points, announced. Goering, Ribbentrop, Jodl, Keitel, flown to Nurnberg to await trial. Many Canadian scientists worked on atomic bomb, revealed.

Aug. 15th.—VJ Day celebrated throughout Canada, Britain; official U.S. celebration delayed; 'Armed 'ruce' in Pacific; some guns still firing. Russians to fight on in Manchuria till Japs lay down arms. Petain found guilty of collaboration with enemy, sentenced to death; presiding judge asks clemency.

Care of Empty Granaries

Care of granaries, when as at present they are for the most part empty, may do much to prevent later losses from heating and infestation of farm-stored grain, points out Dr. K. W. Neathy, of the Line Elevators Farm Service, in a recent bulletin. Quoting from the Science Service of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, he recommends thorough cleansing of granaries, brushing down of walls and sweeping of floors with damp sawdust. Floors should then be sprinkled with hydrated lime, which should be swept about to fill all cracks. In making repairs, floors should be given special attention; where they rest directly upon the ground, covering of moisture-proof paper over the floor and extending up the walls for a foot or so is recommended. There should be provision, also, for good ventilation over the surface of the grain.

The holiday for Victory Day occasioned delay in mailing this issue.



Opening U.S. Market for Surplus Cattle Is Strongly Urged

Other Important Resolutions Are Adopted by A.L.C. Annual Meeting

Implementing of the recommendation of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, that the Dominion Government take steps to facilitate the orderly export to the United States of all surplus cattle, settlement to be made to our producers at ceiling prices, was urged by unanimous vote of delegates attending the annual meeting of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative.

There would be no objection on the part of producers, Fred Downing, manager of the Central Livestock Co-operative, Winnipeg, suggested, if any difference in price realized were spread over the livestock industry.

Canada's Best Market

President George E. Church of the U.F.A. pointed out that in post-war years Canada's best market would be south of the border, while President Allen of the A.L.C. declared: "Our only hope for the future export market lies in re-establishment of the market in the U.S.A." He pointed out that at the present time cattle could be shipped from Canada to the U.S., processed there, and shipped to Britain to meet the special needs of today. R. E. Chowen stressed the importance of proceeding in such fashion in seeking the U.S. market as not to create serious antagonism among U.S. farmers, lest they should force a change of

Average Dividend Given for Canadian Companies

Dividends paid by 47 representative Canadian companies, excluding gold mines, show a sharp rise for the first six months of 1945. According to a survey made by an eastern investment firm, taking 1926 as 100, this average of dividends rose to 154.5 in 1930, dropping to 136.4 in 1931, 88.6 in 1932 and to a low of 65.7 in 1933. There was a gradual rise to 146 in 1938, later figures being: 1939, 132.5; 1940, 122.9; 1941, 119.7; 1942, 122.1; 1943, 132.5; 1944, 129; 1945 (first half), 136.7.

Striking meat-packers throughout Canada returned to work following agreement to arbitrate differences.

Australia plans a ten-year program of irrigation of "millions of acres", states Mr. Justice Davies, Canadian high commissioner to Australia.

Government that would be disadvantageous to us.

Delegates' Other Decisions

The delegates resolved that the car reserve for the second year of A.L.C. operations be returned to the contributing members; that the Alberta Government be requested to consider the possibility of setting up veterinary clinics along the lines of those established in Ontario; re-affirmed last year's resolution asking the Dominion Government to continue control of marketing of livestock products indefinitely; urged that the producer of livestock who raises his own grain should receive the same bonus as the livestock feeder who purchases all or part of his requirements, since the Dominion Government is asking livestock producers to maintain production for the British market; favored compulsory vaccination of cattle for shipping fever under the supervision of the agriculturist or other competent person, and asked that a certificate be issued together with metallic ear tag in each animal's ear as proof the animal has been vaccinated, failure to vaccinate to carry a penalty of 50 per hundred-weight; endorsed resolution of Mundare Co-operative Association, Ltd., condemning strongly the attacks on the people's co-operatives by private concerns, and giving full support to the efforts of the farm and consumers' co-operatives which have carried on the fight so far before the Royal Commission.

OTTAWA LETTER

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farm labor problem, which has been such a factor in the production schedules of Canadian farms will undoubtedly be rapidly eased, though it will have little effect on this year's harvesting operations. The transportation situation will also be quickly improved. The whole of the nation's economy has been affected by the rolling stock difficulty. A great deal of the rolling stock has been used for the transport of military equipment and troops, and has got run down. There will be considerable work in getting it renovated, and where necessary replaced.

A number of men from the West have been aiding in harvest work in Eastern Canada, and the reciprocal movement of 6,000 from Eastern Canada to the Prairie Provinces to help in harvesting has been arranged. Plans for the transfer are being made by the Dominion Department of Labor, officials of Ontario and Quebec and officials of the Prairie Provinces. The men will be moved West free of charge and will make only a nominal payment of \$10 for the return trip.

The Prairie Provinces will be in a considerably more favorable position than Eastern Canada in relation to fruits this season. The apple crop in the Central East doesn't look better than 25 per cent of last year, peaches are down 50 per cent. The Nova

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Should Cull Flocks

In connection with the poultry situation the Department is pointing out that farmers wishing to take advantage of the present favorable market should cull their flocks and get poultry houses ready without delay for pullets.

With hog production down 35 per cent from last year, packing plants will be in a better position to handle

cattle, and it is suggested that to prevent congestion farmers should market their low grade cattle in August. All steers and heifers which have got a good finish by September, should then be marketed promptly.

The preliminary stage of the Dominion-Provincial conference, which adjourned to meet about the end of November, left the impression in everybody's mind that all the delegates are anxious to make this conference a success. The issues were much too important to permit of failure. What is perhaps more important than any cut and dried agreements is that all Governments are determined to pitch in and help in the work of national reconstruction. The future is right on our doorstep, and it has to be met with the combined forces of all government agencies and the goodwill, foresight and hard work of the Canadian people themselves.

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It looks as if the British Conservative party couldn't climb the Church hill, so to speak.

And Big Ben of Plymouth Hoe wonders, having regard to the number of blood transfusions that have taken place overseas, whether any of our boys will come home with blue blood in their veins.

At Nelson, B.C., a street car is reported "to have run wild". In Calgary it's the passengers who do that, especially on the Slowness line.

We see by the papers that down South a safecracker has got 10 years for half killing a policeman. One of those big batter and yegg men, we suppose.

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(Wayne)

There was a young lady of Wayne
Strolled out down a tree-shaded
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She sat down, dearie me,
On a big bumble bee—
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In Calgary, since meat rationing was mooted, it is said that rabbits are selling at 35 cents a pound. And that, as the cottontail said, is real Jack.

TODAY'S DEFINITION

Gravel—Rocks and boulders with which the provincial highways department strews dirt roads to damage cars and injure pedestrians.

Kill 8,600 Japs in Sittang areas—headline in the *Calgary Herald*. So now, of course, Tommy Atkins is Sittang pretty.

Two Calgary gals strolling down town minus shoes and stockings, failed to attract any attention. That's not surprising. Nowadays it's only the gals who are properly dressed who are noticeable.

VEGETABLY SPEAKING

"The state opening of Britain's new Labor-dominated Parliament was postponed today until Aug. 15th, but the House will meet as scheduled Aug. 8th."—The *Calgary Herald*. Something good should turnip, eh?

And that reminds us now that Britain has a Labor-Socialist Government, New Zealand has a ditto (and Australia a Labor administration), how much longer are some Canadian politicians going to tilt at windmills under the mistaken idea they are helping to destroy socialism?

Wouldn't they be accomplishing more, considering Canada is part of the great British Commonwealth of nations, if they concentrated their energies in attempting to bring this country in line with the rest of the Empire?

ENGLISH AS SHE IS WRIT

28 Wounded Here Tuesday—headline in the *Albertan*. Gosh and we thought it was overseas they were getting hurt.

Massachusetts professor predicts the production of super-nylon stockings that will last 10 years. Heck; they won't even give the sweet young things a run for their money.

And seeing that the gals only wear stockings half the time, one pair ought to last 'em a lifetime. Yep, and under free-enterprise you can just imagine the manufacturers standing for that sort of thing.

Poultry and fish are not included in Canada's new meat rationing scheme.—News item. Oh, hum, just another case of making fish of one and fowl of another.

TODAY'S PUZZLE

"San Francisco, July 29th—The Japanese press Saturday emphasized Japanese press Saturday stressed istraction would bring about no change in its war policy toward Japan"—From the *Calgary Albertan*. They may be making a typographical error, at that.

She was only a printer's daughter, but she was just the right type of girl.

Wealthy Wisconsin guy who can't get a wife wrote his Congressman: "I don't use tobacco or liquor, don't swear, gamble or chase around."—Gosh! doesn't the poor goof know that gals don't want to marry angels?

Cop Curses Canines.—headline in the *Calgary Herald*. The police must be going to the dogs.

"Admiral Thinks Japs short of Something"—headline. Enthusiasm for war, probably.

"After preaching, Clarke Jackson, a visitor from Redlands, sang 'I Will Go Home', which was appreciated by all."—Ontario (Cal.) *Citrus Valley News*. Evidently Mister Jackson thought the collection wasn't good enough.

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To avoid a repetition of last year's market congestion during October and November—

- 1 Marketing of dry cows should be speeded up during August.
- 2 Marketing of plain cattle, particularly those of dairy breeding, and of bulls, should be well under way before the end of August.
- 3 Throughout September, steers and heifers in good condition should be marketed promptly.

Experimental evidence assembled at the Dominion Range Experiment Station, Manyberries, Alta., over a period of eight years, showed the following average gains in weight of cattle on short-grass prairie range.

Class of Cattle	Gain in Weight in Pounds			
	April 1- June 15	June 16- Sept. 1	Sept. 2- Nov. 15	Total
Yearling steers.....	131	138	46	315
Two year old steers..	145	159	52	356

The data indicate that gains on the same range made after September 1st are relatively light as compared with those made during May, June and July.

Market early and avoid congestion!

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